

# General aspects of carbon biogeochemistry in the ria of Vigo, northwestern Spain

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**Abstract**—The rias of Galicia in northwestern Spain are local areas of high primary production. In this article, the fluxes of organic and inorganic carbon and the processes of photosynthesis, remineralization, and sedimentation of particulate organic carbon in one of these, the ria of Vigo, are quantified using the box model method. In 1986 the mean photosynthesis rate in the ria of Vigo was  $350 \text{ mgC m}^{-2} \text{ d}^{-1}$ ; on average, 40% of this quantity was remineralized;  $140 \text{ mgC m}^{-2} \text{ d}^{-1}$  passed into the sediment; and the remaining  $65 \text{ mgC m}^{-2} \text{ d}^{-1}$  (18%) was exported to the coastal waters. Such budgets are very sensitive to meteorologic conditions; for during the April to October period when wind-induced upwelling is frequent, the processes mentioned increase greatly in the interior part of the ria. In winter a large quantity of carbon gets exported to the ocean,  $78 \text{ molC s}^{-1}$ . During the rest of the year the ria behaves like a carbon trap, with most of the  $27 \text{ molC s}^{-1}$  that is trapped being lost to sedimentation.

## INTRODUCTION

THE PHOTOSYNTHESIS OF organic matter in the rias of Galicia is enhanced by the input of nutrient salts (PREGO, 1990a) resulting from the Finisterre marine upwelling (FRAGA, 1981). This upwelling, which occurs from April to October (BLANTON et al., 1984), brings North Atlantic Central Water (NACW) to the interior of the rias (PREGO and FRAGA, 1992). According to the data obtained before 1986, the primary production in the middle zone of the rias generally ranges between  $30$  to  $100 \text{ mgC m}^{-2} \text{ d}^{-1}$  (VIVES and FRAGA, 1961; GONZALEZ et al., 1982) in the winter, but this increases to  $700$  to  $1200 \text{ mgC m}^{-2} \text{ d}^{-1}$  during the rest of the year (VIVES and FRAGA, 1961; NUNES et al., 1984). Thus, the annual mean production of this part of the rias fluctuates around  $710 \text{ mgC m}^{-2} \text{ d}^{-1}$  (FRAGA, 1976; VARELA et al., 1984). These values are somewhat lower than those given by WOLFF (1980) for some estuaries. This is due to the fact that, although the Galician rias have been considered as estuaries from a geological point of view (FAIRBRIDGE, 1980), hydrologically, they are only

considered as such in their inner part. In box 1 (Fig. 1) the salinity is below 15 PSU (Practical Salinity Units) during high freshwater fluvial inputs (SAIZ et al., 1961; PREGO et al., 1988).

Because the rias are zones of relative high primary production, compared with nearby oceanic regions (FINENKO, 1978), they should exhibit elevated processes of remineralization and sedimentation of the organic matter in the sea (MENZEL, 1974).

The distribution of carbon in the ria of Vigo and its interchange with the surrounding eastern North Atlantic coastal waters will thus be affected by physical processes like residual estuarine circulation, mixing, and upwelling (PREGO et al., 1990), as well as by the suite of biogeochemical reactions which have been recognized to be accelerated in estuaries (OLAUSSEN, 1980). On the Galician coast of Spain, particulate organic matter (POM) shows a marked seasonal variation with a winter minimum and two maxima, one in spring and the other at the end of the summer (FRAGA, 1960, 1981). However, the cycling of carbon has not been rigorously investigated in the rias of Galicia, other than to hypothesize that the variation of inorganic and organic carbon will be similar to that of the nutrient salts (MOURIRO et al., 1984) and organic matter, respectively (FRAGA, 1960), forced by the general relationships defined by REDFIELD (1934).

## **SAMPLING AND ANALYSES**

Samples were taken at five stations along the principal axis of the ria (Fig. 1), together with another at its northern mouth and three to seaward, out to the 150 m isobath. As water depth permitted, sampling depths were 0, 5, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 80, 100, 120, 150 m, and the seabed. This transect was repeated six times, from February until October 1986.

The position of the stations in the narrows of the ria divided it into five boxes (Fig. 1). Their dimensions are given in Table 1. The sampling and the analyses were carried out on board R/V Garcia del Cid. The samples of water were taken in Niskin bottles of 1.7 L capacity. From these, subsamples were taken for the analysis of dissolved oxygen, alkalinity, and organic carbon.

The analysis of dissolved oxygen was based on the Winkle method. The estimation was made with a Metrohm automatic titrator and a silver electrode. The estimated precision of this titration is  $\pm 1 \mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ .

The determination of organic carbon was carried out according to the method described by PREGO and FRAGA (1988), in which organic matter is oxidized with potassium peroxodisulphate under UV light. The precision of this method is estimated as  $\pm 2 \mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ .

The total alkalinity was determined by estimation in a Metrohm automatic titrator, according to the method described by PEREZ and FRAGA (1987a). The precision is  $\pm 2 \mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ .

Total inorganic carbon was then calculated from the salinity, alkalinity, and pH data as described by PEREZ and FRAGA (1987b). The precision is estimated to be  $\pm 1.5 \mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ .

## **METHODS AND RESULTS**

The method used in this study of the biogeochemistry of carbon in the ria of Vigo is based on the fact that, in any volume of water considered, it is true for the parameters chosen that

$$dN/dt = \text{fluxes} + \text{biogeochemical processes} = 0. \quad (1)$$

With regard to the fluxes and processes the criteria of signs are inputs to a box or a layer are positives and outputs are negatives.

### **Fluxes in a Two Box Model**

The ria of Vigo, like the other rias of Galicia (OTTO, 1975; FRAGA and MARGALEF, 1979; GONZALEZ et al., 1979; FERNANDEZ DE CASTILLEJO and LAWN, 1982; PREGO et al., 1990), shows a positive estuarine circulation (Figs. 5 and 6). There is a current which outflows at the surface, another which inflows along the bottom, and a

region of partial mixing between the two. This has been conceptualized in model form by PREGO and FRAGA (1992).

Consider now a series of domains “boxes” (boxes dl- 1 to B-S in Figs. 1 and 2) which are created by the series of sections (Fig. 1) perpendicular to the axis of the ria (upper subsections: S-1 to S-9, and lower subsections: S-10 to S-90; Fig. 2). The inflows and outflows of the ria divide each box into two layers (L2 to L5 and L20 to L50 in Fig. 2) and twenty-five flux terms (“F” in Fig. 2). Due to the estuarine nature of box B-1, as previously mentioned, it has not been divided into two layers. In the other boxes, the flushing time is much longer than a tidal cycle, advection is due to net flow (PREGO and FRAGA, 1992), and the tidal current only acts on the mixing process, as OTTO (1975) has indicated for the ria of Arosa.

Since the flux of a substance is equal to the product of the flow multiplied by its concentration, it is necessary to know both values. The residual estuarine flows (Table 2) have been reported by PREGO and FRAGA (1992). The mean concentrations (Table 3) were calculated from these data (PREGO et al., 1988), and then averaged with respect to area, in the case of the subsections of separation of the boxes, or averaged with respect to volume, in the general case of the two layer system.

The resulting fluxes for the ria are summarized in Table 4.

### **Balance in a Two Box Model**

According to (I), two balances can be established for each box,

$$\text{upper layer: } \sum Fi + A = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$\text{lower layer: } \sum Fi + B = 0, \quad (3)$$

where positive  $Fi$  are inputs to a given layer and negative  $Fi$  are outputs from that layer.

The biogeochemical processes  $A$  and  $B$  will be zero if there are only physical processes of inflow, outflow, or exchange between the two layers. By corollary, they will be different from zero if there is a loss, gain, or transformation of substances in a box or a layer (Fig. 3). Note that the  $A$  or  $B$  values will be negative if the flux inputs are greater than the flux outputs.

The results for a two layer system ( $A$  = upper layer,  $B$  = lower layer) are shown in Table 5. They were obtained using flux data (Table 4) and Eqns. 2 and 3.

### **Quantification of the Interchange of Carbon**

The biogeochemical processes which take place in the ria of Vigo cause disequilibrium in the distribution of organic and inorganic carbon in the water. The production of particles by photosynthesis ( $P$ ), sinking of POM ( $D$ ), remineralization ( $R$ ), and sedimentation ( $S$ ) in the ria drive the overall balance away from zero. In other words, these processes result in a net exchange of carbon between layers, as shown in Fig. 3. To complete the mass balance it is also necessary to include the transfer of  $\text{CO}_2$  gas between the water of the ria and the atmosphere ( $C$ ) and the interchanges due to the formation and redissolution of carbonate ( $C_s$  and  $C_d$ ).

Following the convention for signs explained in the preceding section, the mass balance of dissolved inorganic carbon in the upper layer,  $A_1$ , will decrease due to photosynthesis ( $P$ ),  $\text{CaCO}_3$  formation ( $C_s$ ) and the transfer of  $\text{CO}_2$  to the atmosphere ( $C$ ). The companion inorganic carbon mass balance  $B_1$  in the lower layer will increase due to remineralization ( $R$ ) and the redissolution of  $\text{CaCO}_3$  ( $C_d$ ; Fig. 3). Similarly, the mass balance of particulate organic carbon (POC) in the upper layer ( $A_2$ ) will decrease due to the sinking ( $D$ ) of POM. That for the lower layer ( $B_2$ ) will decrease by remineralisation ( $R$ ) and by sedimentation of POM, and will increase by the arrival of POM from the surface ( $D$ ; Fig. 3).

There are seven unknowns ( $C$ ,  $P$ ,  $D$ ,  $R$ ,  $S$ ,  $C_s$ , and  $C_d$ ) and only four equations corresponding to the balances  $A_1$ ,  $A_2$ ,  $B_1$ , and  $B_2$ . The other three needed to reach a solution come from the interchange of  $\text{CO}_2$  and  $\text{CaCO}_3$ . For their estimation it is necessary to use the alkalinity and the “CAO” a biogeochemically conservative parameter for carbon (see Appendix).

The result of the balance of CAO in the upper layer is  $A_0$  and increases with the passage of  $\text{O}_2$ ,  $\text{Og}$ , and  $\text{CO}_2$ ,  $C$ , from the sea to the atmosphere, whilst the balance in the lower layer is  $B_0$  and, being isolated from the atmosphere, its balance must be zero (Fig. 3).

The value of the balance of alkalinity (A3 and B3) increases in both layers when ions of strong acid or bases appear. Consequently, the consumption of ammonia and the precipitation of carbonate will decrease the value, while the consumption of nitrate and nitrite will increase it (Fig. 3).

Now condensing the derivations given,

-System I-

$$A0 = Og + 1.36C \quad (4)$$

$$BO = 0 \quad (5)$$

$$A1 = C + Cs + P \quad (6)$$

$$B1 = Cd + R \quad (7)$$

$$A2 = -P + D \quad (8)$$

$$B2 = -R - D + S \quad (9)$$

$$A3 = -(P3 + P2 - P4) + 2Cs \quad (10)$$

$$B3 = -(R3 + R2 - R4) + 2Cd, \quad (11)$$

where 1.36 is the conversion factor for moles of carbon to moles of oxygen, and 2 is a factor which reflects the fact that precipitation of a mole of  $\text{CaCO}_3$  eliminates two equivalents of strong base. The values “Og” (oxygen), F3, F2, P4 (nitrate, nitrite, and ammonia consumed by photosynthesis), and R3, R2, R4 (nitrate, nitrite, and ammonia remineralized) are calculated (PREGO, 1988) by NO (see Appendix), nitrate, nitrite, and ammonia balances (Tables 8 and 9). These results, together with values taken from Table 5, are applied to system I and the summary results are given in Table 6. In these data, the error caused by a small spatial or temporal variation of concentration of POC should not be important, in accordance with the photosynthesis values, the concentration of chlorophyll, and the biomass of phytoplankton obtained in different areas in the ria during one annual cycle (VIVES and FRAGA, 1961; FRAGA, 1960, 1976).

The main source of error is the estimation of freshwater flowing into the ria, since the flow rates depend on it (PREGO and FRAGA, 1992). Consequently the results given in Tables 2 and 4 can vary individually by 10% (PREGO et al., 1990). The errors in the chemical parameters analyzed, in turn, make the final error in each measurement  $\pm 1$

$\text{mol s}^{-1}$  for the entire ria for the values of Tables 6 and 7, and  $\pm 0.5 \text{ mol s}^{-1}$  for the ria as a whole for Tables 5, 8, and 9.

In the approach described, the value of BO (Table 5) should be zero because the lower layer is not in contact with the atmosphere. The small discrepancy may be caused, in addition to the sources of error described above, by a greater penetration of  $\text{CO}_2$  and  $\text{O}_2$  into the deeper water during winter storms or by differences in vertical distribution of phytoplankton in the summer. The latter can result in phytoplankton taking up nutrients in the bottom box, while photosynthesis occurs in the top box (FRAGA and PREGO, 1989).

## **DISCUSSION**

### **Seasonal Variation of the Organic Carbon**

Monthly average rainfall data for 1986 indicates that precipitation that year was similar to the mean of the last 30 years. Hence, since 1986 may be considered as a normal year and the water flows have been calculated in quasi-stationary conditions (PREGO and FRAGA, 1992), results should be representative of the different seasons in the ria of Vigo.

In most of the six sampling periods in 1986, photosynthesis generally remained between 20 and  $40 \text{ mol s}^{-1}$  for the entire ria (Table 6) that is, around  $300 \text{ mgC m}^{-2} \text{ d}^{-1}$ . However, this production can change dramatically in the ria of Vigo between summer and winter, or during periods of strong upwelling. Consequently, three very different regimes for organic carbon cycling may be considered, as shown in Fig. 4.

The situation in February 1986 (Fig. 4a) may be taken as representative of the winter, based on the meteorological and hydrographic conditions (PREGO et al., 1990).

Calculated photosynthesis (P) in the water column is net photosynthesis; i.e., it is the difference between photosynthesis and remineralisation in the upper layer. On the 28th of February net remineralization occurs in all seawater of the ria ( $6 \text{ mol s}^{-1}$  in upper layer and  $18 \text{ mol s}^{-1}$  in lower layer). The sediment yields  $26 \text{ mol s}^{-1}$  to the water column, a flux which is similar to the annual mean sedimentation, but with the opposite sign.

This resuspension occurs in box 2 (Table 6), when inflow of estuarine water is substantial, caused by the strait and the sharp bathymetry (from 5 to 23 m of depth) between boxes 1 and 2 (see Fig. 1). Thus, inflow along the bottom, resuspension, and the inflow of freshwater at the surface are the principal wintertime contributors of organic carbon to the ria. Due to the vigorous circulation in this rainy period (PREGO and FRAGA, 1992), there is a high influx ( $118 \text{ molC s}^{-1}$ ) and outflux ( $138 \text{ molC s}^{-1}$ ) of organic carbon (Fig. 4a and Table 4). The organic matter influx must be only slightly labile (AMINOT et al., 1990); from Fig. 4a it is clear that most of it leaves the ria without being transformed.

After the spring bloom of phytoplankton the situation in the ria becomes stable (Fig. 5). On May 26th (Fig. 4b), as well as in July (Table 4), there is little net interchange of organic carbon between the ria and the continental shelf. Consequently, the POC all falls to the lower layer, where 74% (85% in July) of organic carbon photosynthesized (Fig. 4b and Table 6:  $195 \text{ mgC m}^{-2} \text{ d}^{-1}$ ) sediments out and the rest is remineralized.

Another modification to primary production occurs when there is marine upwelling in spring. On May 31st, after five days of strong northerly winds (PREGO and FRAGA, 1992), the production had doubled ( $430 \text{ mgC m}^{-2} \text{ d}^{-1}$ ; Table 6).

Again on the 4th of September, upwelling was intense (PREGO et al., 1990) and the NACW had reached the bed of the ria (Fig. 6). The production was  $105 \text{ molC s}^{-1}$ , that is,  $945 \text{ mgC m}^{-2} \text{ d}^{-1}$ . The net export of POC to the continental shelf was 36% of the production. In fact, outside the ria this POC sinks, and it can be seen in the nitrate isopleths (Fig. 6) as a seasonally (PREGO et al., 1988) intense remineralisation on the continental shelf, as PREGO (1990b) has shown. Moreover this sinking organic carbon shows up as an entry to the ria which is 19% of the POC produced (Fig. 4c). When the upwelling relaxes, however, sedimentation slows and remineralisation becomes the more important process. By September 21st eighty-six upwellings had ceased, and the circulation in the ria had almost stopped (FRAGA and PRECO 1989). Now sedimentation was negligible, and remineralisation tied up practically 100% of the POM which fell (PREGO, 1992), and an intense red tide appeared (FRAGA et al., 1990).

## **Annual Budgets**



The mean annual value of photosynthesis for 1986, estimated from Table 6, is  $350 \text{ mgC m}^{-2} \text{ d}^{-1}$  for all the ria and  $790 \text{ mgC m}^{-2} \text{ d}^{-1}$  in boxes 2-3. This value is similar to that measured directly using  $^{14}\text{C}$  at an interior station of the ria of Vigo (VIVES and FRAGA, 1961; FRAGA, 1976). The mean annual remineralization ( $145 \text{ mgC m}^{-2} \text{ d}^{-1}$ ) in the ria is approximately equal to 40% of the photosynthesis. Some  $140 \text{ mgC m}^{-2} \text{ d}^{-1}$  is sedimented, i.e., 40% of net photosynthesis, similar to 33% of the average rate of organic carbon sedimentation in continental margin (ROMANKEVICH, 1984) during Late Quaternary or 32% sedimented in coastal zones estimated by WOLLAST (1991). The rest of the organic carbon, some 18% of the production ( $65 \text{ mgC m}^{-2} \text{ d}^{-1}$ ), is available for export to adjacent coastal waters. This agrees with the WOLLAST (1991) tentative mass balance of the organic flux on the continental shelf and slope in which 15% of organic carbon production is exported from coastal zone.

Sedimentation of organic-rich matter is favoured, with respect to water column remineralization, by the shallowness of the ria. The thickness of sediment formed annually ( $50 \text{ gC m}^{-2}$ ), in accordance with its composition (approximately 3% of organic carbon; NOMBELA et al., 1987), is of the same order as that of  $1 \text{ mm year}^{-1}$  estimated by MARGALEF (1956) near station 3 (Fig. 1). However, “sedimentation” must include any disappearance of POM in the water layer brought about by causes other than remineralization, including fishing ( $1.5 \cdot 10^6 \text{ Kg}$ ) and mussel cultivation ( $8.0 \cdot 10^7 \text{ Kg}$ ) in the ria (EQUIPO BIOLOGIA PESQUERA, 1987). This implies that man takes close to  $20 \text{ mgC m}^{-2} \text{ d}^{-1}$ , of which  $14 \text{ mgC m}^{-2} \text{ d}^{-1}$  is from mussels alone.

Property-property plots of sinking ( $D$ ), remineralisation ( $R$ ), and sedimentation ( $S$ ) of POC vs. photosynthesis in the ria of Vigo are shown as Fig. 7. Based on the information in Table 6 and summing for boxes 2, 3, and 4, the following correlations are obtained:

$$D = -18 + 0.37P \quad r = 0.89 \quad (12)$$

$$R = -8.4 - 0.59P \quad r = 0.98 \quad (13)$$

$$S = -10 + 0.19P \quad r = 0.86, \quad (14)$$

where the sink in POC, its remineralization, and sedimentation can be estimated from the average photosynthesis value in the ria of Vigo. Equations 12, 13, and 14 were obtained in accordance with the sign criteria used in this article; i.e., photosynthesis is

negative if organic carbon is consumed. Values  $P$ ,  $D$ ,  $R$ , and  $S$  are at  $\text{molC s}^{-1}$ , but these are easily converted to  $\text{mgC m}^{-2} \text{d}^{-1}$  by multiplying them by 10.6.

The robust correlations ‘Y’ between photosynthesis and sinking, remineralization, and sedimentation, as calculated from Eqns. 12, 13, and 14, presumably arise because the ria of Vigo is a shallow, semi-enclosed bay ( $156 \text{ km}^2$ ) which is hydrographically distant from the adjacent shelf (PREGO and FRAGA, 1992).

### **Zonal Distribution of the Organic Carbon**

The processes just discussed for the ria of Vigo as a whole can also be dissected into zones by partitioning the ria into the five boxes shown in Figs. 1 and 2. Table 6 presents the results of such a compartmentalization.

The late spring state, corresponding to May 26th, is similar to that during the decline of the upwelling in July or October. At these times box 4 ( $14 \text{ molC s}^{-1}$ ; Table 6) is the most productive, although per unit area box 2 has the highest rates ( $620 \text{ mgC m}^{-2} \text{d}^{-1}$ ; Table 6). These two zones show the locally highest concentrations of chlorophyll (Fig. 5), and locally high concentrations of organic carbon are present in the sediment underlying these two zones (NOMBELA et al., 1987).

The sinking of POM permits the ria to be divided into two zones as well: (a) an interior zone (boxes 1-3), where the photosynthesis is greater than the loss, and (b) the outer two zones, where the fall of POM is greater. Note that both remineralisation and sedimentation increase towards the mouth of the ria (Table 6).

The late summer state during upwelling shows an important change. On the 4th of September the concentration of chlorophyll was very high (Fig. 6) and the production was correspondingly high throughout the ria ( $950 \text{ mgC m}^{-2} \text{d}^{-1}$ ). In box 2 it is five times greater per unit area than in the rest of the ria, to account for almost half the total (Table 6: 700, 3710, 1010, and  $480 \text{ mgC m}^{-2} \text{d}^{-1}$  in boxes 1, 2, 3, and 4, respectively). In this time of enhanced production, the planktonic cycle restarts, as reported by MARGALEF et al. (1955). Because the utilization of silica is high, sediments produced in box 2 in late summer are rich in diatoms (MARGALEF, 1958). In fact, the locally high

production of zone 2 of the ria had already been recognized by MARGALEF et al. (1955) as well as by VIVES and FRAGA (1961). FRAGA (1976) has pointed occasionally to a primary production of  $2800 \text{ mgC m}^{-2} \text{ d}^{-1}$  by  $^{14}\text{C}$  in this area of the ria. OTTO (1975) reported the existence of a similar zone of locally enhanced production ( $2000 \text{ mgC m}^{-2} \text{ d}^{-1}$ ) in the ria of Arosa, which is also dependent on the upwelling of Finisterre (FRAGA, 1981).

Remineralization, however, consumed over 73% of the photosynthesis. POC sinks in boxes 3 and 4 and is transported in incoming current to the lower layer to box 2, where it is remineralized ( $2730 \text{ mgC m}^{-2} \text{ d}^{-1}$ ). The accumulation of POM on the bed of the ria of box 3 was also high ( $650 \text{ mgC m}^{-2} \text{ d}^{-1}$ ), almost six times higher than on the 26th of May.

### **Consequences: Exchange of Carbon between the Ria and Its Surroundings**

Exchanges of carbon between the ria of Vigo and its boundaries are summarized in Table 7 and correspond to:

#### *The transfer of $\text{CO}_2$ between the atmosphere and the water*

The passage of  $\text{CO}_2$  air-water has been considered as a correction to the balance of inorganic carbon (Eqn. 6) in the upper layer of the ria (PREGO, 1992). For this reason, and since the net flux of  $\text{CO}_2$  is very close to the range of error, it would be advisable to deal with this matter in another paper.

Although the transfer of  $\text{CO}_2$  was small relative to the fluxes of POC, there were two exceptions. One, during the late summer period of upwelling, when a cooling and mixing of the waters occurs (PREGO et al., 1990) and there is high primary production, ( $12 \text{ molC s}^{-1}$ ) is transferred from the atmosphere to seawater of the ria. Another is the opposite case, when upwelling eases off (July 7th) and there is an outflow ( $8 \text{ molC s}^{-1}$ ) to air.

#### *The contribution of carbon due to freshwater*

This is only important in times of strong river flow and is  $2 \text{ molC s}^{-1}$  during the rest of the year. Due to the granitic nature of Galician soil, the contribution of inorganic carbon to the freshwater is very small. The major discharge of organic carbon to the ria of Vigo comes from the sewer outlet of the town of Vigo, which in summer reaches 80% of the total due to freshwater.

#### *The interchange of carbon with the sediment*

This contributes carbon during the winter period, as indicated by  $26 \text{ molC s}^{-1}$  for February, as well as by a calculation for the 31st of January ( $10 \text{ molC s}^{-1}$  based on PREGO et al. (1988) data for all the ria of Vigo as a box), which is not included in this work. The storms from the southeast, common in winter, resuspend the fine fraction of the sediment, which is then transported away from the ria (NOMBELA et al., 1987). During the rest of the year the bed of the ria receives an average of  $27 \text{ molC s}^{-1}$ .

#### *Formation and redissolution of carbonate*

Calcium carbonate dissolves principally in winter and forms in summer, above all during the time of strong circulation. The formation of calcium carbonate occurs in both layers in spring and summer due to its biological utilization. However, because net fluxes for four of the six sampling periods were within the margin of error for Table 7, it would be interesting to make a  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  balance in the ria.

The effect of four cited biogeochemical processes is the exchange of carbon with the surrounding coastal water. In winter, when the contributions of freshwater are high, the situation must be similar to that in February. A large quantity of carbon is exported to the ocean,  $78 \text{ molC s}^{-1}$ , which is derived almost equally from the above mentioned sources. During the rest of the year the opposite occurs; the ria behaves like a carbon trap, with most of the  $27 \text{ molC s}^{-1}$  that is trapped being lost to sedimentation.

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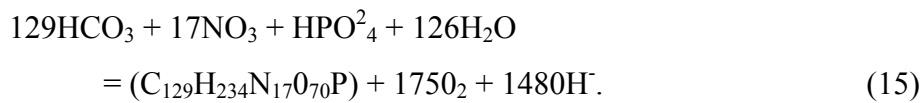
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## APPENDIX 1

### CA0 and NO concepts

Recently, a compositional relation for 0:C:N:P of 175:129:17:1 has been reported for the phytoplankton of the ria of Vigo (RIOS and FRAGA, 1987). From this ratio and the forms of nutrient salts and inorganic carbon in seawater, the following equation is derived



When selecting a component of each part of the photosynthesis remineralisation equation, i.e.,  $\text{O}_2$  and  $\text{HCO}_3$  and its stoichiometric quotients, 175:129 (1.36), the resulting parameter, CA0 (or NO; BROECKER, 1974). is unaffected by photosynthesis and remineralization processes. According to PREGO (1988) and RIOS et al. (1989), they are

$$\text{“CAO”} = [\text{O}_2] \\ + 1.36([\text{CO}_2] - \text{C}_{\text{ar}}) - 0.5[\text{NO}_2] - 2[\text{NH}_4^+] \quad (16)$$

$$\text{“NO”} = [\text{O}_2] + 10.29[\text{NO}_3] + 9.79[\text{NO}_2] + 8.29[\text{N NH}_4^+], \quad (17)$$

where  $\text{C}_{\text{ar}} = 0.5(\text{Alk} + [\text{NO}_3] + 0.45[\text{NO}_2] - [\text{N NH}_4^+])$ . The correction terms for nitrite and ammonia are a recognition that these two substances can reduce the calculated oxygen production during photosynthesis. The correction for “ $\text{C}_{\text{ar}}$ ” reflects the consumption of carbonate for the formation of the skeleton of some marine organisms. This is proportional to the alkalinity (Alk).

FIG. 1. The southernmost ria of Galicia is that of Vigo, which has a length of 33 km, an area of 156 km<sup>2</sup>, and a capacity of 3.3 km<sup>3</sup>. The ria of Vigo can be partitioned into five boxes by a series of cross sections (S), whose characteristics are given in Table 1. The location of sampling stations numbered 1 to 9 is given in the upper left part of the figure.

FIG. 2. The general circulation in the ria of Vigo (PREGO and FRAGA, 1992) permits the division of the ria in five boxes (B1 to B5) with two layers (upper layers: L2 to L5, and lower layers: L20 to L50) and the establishment of the seawater fluxes represented by "F." External to each ria box is the flux "F<sub>r</sub>" which represents the contribution of freshwater. Box 1 is shallow and is not divided into two layers.

FIG. 3. The interchanges of carbon established for a box in the ria of Vigo are due to photosynthesis (P), particle sinking (D), remineralisation (R), and sedimentation (S), as well as to precipitation or redissolution of carbonate in the upper layer "Cs" and lower layer "Cd" and the air-water transfer of CO<sub>2</sub> (C). All of these interchanges and processes are net values (result of opposite fluxes as indicated by the pairs of arrows), and they are positives if they are inputs to a layer and negatives if they are outputs.

FIG. 4. Mass balance (in molC s<sup>-1</sup> for the ria as a whole) for organic carbon in the ria of Vigo. Different seasonal situations are illustrated by three cases. (a) February 28th, (b) May 26th, and (c) September 4th. Inputs of organic carbon [according to arrow direction or sign of photosynthesis (P) and remineralization (R)] to a layer are positives and output negatives.

FIG. 5. Map of isopleths of salinity (Practical Salinity Units), temperature, nitrate, and chlorophyll a for May 26th, 1986, from PREGO et al. (1988). The position of the stations is given in Fig. 1.

FIG. 6. Map of isopleths of salinity (Practical Salinity Units), temperature, nitrate, and chlorophyll a for September 4th, 1986, from PREGO et al. (1988):

FIG. 7. Variation of sinking of particulate organic carbon from the upper layer, remineralization, and sedimentation in the lower layer with respect to net

photosynthesis in the upper layer (Fig. 3) . Units are in  $\text{molC s}^{-1}$ . Data from Table 6: according to the sign criteria, negative values are inorganic carbon outputs of a layer (e.g., photosynthesis) and opposite (e.g., remineralization). On February 28th remineralization was higher than photosynthesis, and net photosynthesis has a positive value.

TABLE 1. Characteristics of the boxes into which the ria of Vigo was divided. The position is shown in Fig. 1.

TABLE 2. Fluxes ( $10^3 \text{ kg s}^{-1}$ ) of “Q” (according to subsections and layers of Fig. 2) and “R” (without considering rain and evaporation on seawater) calculated for the ria of Vigo in accordance with a stationary box-model proposed by PREGO and FRAGA (1992) on the basis of the flow of freshwater and salinity as a tracer.

TABLE 3. Average concentration of “CAO” (in  $\text{mol O}_2 \text{ kg}^{-1}$ ), inorganic and organic carbon ( $C_{\text{ing}}$  and  $C_{\text{org}}$  in  $\text{mol C kg}^{-1}$ ), and alkalinity (Alk in  $\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ ) for the sections (upper subsections:  $M_s$  to  $M_{59}$ ; lower subsections:  $M_{s10}$  to  $M_{590}$ ) and boxes (upper layer:  $M_{L2}$  to  $M_{L5}$ ; lower layer:  $M_{L20}$  to  $M_{L50}$ ) in the ria of Vigo (see Fig. 2). Concentrations in freshwater were calculated considering sewage, polluted, and unpolluted water, in accordance with FRAGA (1976), ALVAREZ (1980) PEREZ et al. (1987) and FREGO (1988).

TABLE 4. Fluxes of “CAO” (in  $\text{mol O}_2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ), inorganic and organic carbon ( $C_{\text{ing}}$  and  $C_{\text{org}}$  in  $\text{mol C s}^{-1}$ ), and alkalinity (Alk in  $\text{mol s}^{-1}$ ) in the ria of Vigo according to “F” in the box model shown in Figs. 1 and 2.

TABLE 5. Net fluxes due to biogeochemical processes for “CAO” ( $\text{mol O}_2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ), inorganic and organic carbon ( $C_{\text{ing}}$  and  $C_{\text{org}}$  in  $\text{mol C s}^{-1}$ ), and alkalinity (Alk in  $\text{mol s}^{-1}$ ) in the ria of Vigo. These values were employed in solving System I, where AO, A1, A2, and A3 are “CAO”  $C_{\text{ing}}$ ,  $C_{\text{org}}$  and Alk fluxes in the upper layer, and B1, B2, and B3 are  $C_{\text{ing}}$ ,  $C_{\text{org}}$  and Alk fluxes in the lower layer of the ria.

TABLE 6. Results of solve System I. Units are in  $\text{mol C s}^{-1}$  “C” is  $\text{CO}_2$  air-water interchanged; “Cs” and “Cd” are carbonate precipitation redissolution in upper and

lower layer; P, R, D, and S are net photosynthesis in upper layer, net remineralization in lower layer, sinking of particulate organic carbon (POC) from upper to lower layer, and net sedimentation of POC in lower layer. A positive sign is a layer or box input and a negative sign is an output. In box 1 there are not two layers since it is shallow and tides cause homogenization. There is the relation:  $1 \text{ mol C s}^{-1} = 1040/K \text{ mg C m}^{-2} \text{ d}^{-1}$ , where K is the surface of one or more boxes in  $\text{km}^2$  (Table 1).

TABLE 7. Interchange of carbon between the ria of Vigo and its surroundings. A positive value indicates influx to the ria and a negative value an outflux from it. The values are in  $\text{mol C s}^{-1} \text{ ria}^{-1}$ . “Fe” and “Fs” are the carbon fluxes (inorganic plus organic) entering and leaving, respectively, the ria.

TABLE 8. Oxygen, “Og” interchanged between the atmosphere and the seawater of the ria of Vigo. It has been calculated by “NO” balance from data of PREGO et al. (1988) as PREGO (1993) has indicated. Since “NO” is not involved in processes of photosynthesis remineralization, its balance in the upper layer is the oxygen air-water passage. Units are  $\text{mol O}_2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ . Inputs to ria are positive and outputs negative.

TABLE 9. Results,  $\text{mol s}^{-1}$ , of  $[\text{NO}_3] + [\text{NO}_2] - [\text{NH}_4]$  balances ( $\text{P3} + \text{P2} - \text{P4}$  in upper layers and  $\text{R3} + \text{R2} - \text{R4}$  in lower layers) in the ria of Vigo. They have been calculated from fluxes of Table 2 and nitrate, nitrite, and ammonium data by PREGO et al. (1988). ( $\text{P3} + \text{P2} - \text{P4}$ ) and ( $\text{R3} + \text{R2} - \text{R4}$ ) in expressions (10) and (11) are corrections to alkalinity caused by the appearance or disappearance of strong ions in Eqn. 15.

Table 1

Box	km	km <sup>2</sup>	km <sup>3</sup>	Mean depth (m)
1	6.5	17.41	0.0434	2.5
2	6.3	10.13	0.1461	14.4
3	7.5	28.85	0.4888	16.9
4	6.9	59.65	1.4676	24.6
5	5.3	40.18	1.1292	28.1
Ria:	32.5	156.2	3.275	21.0

Table 2

	28 February	26 May	31 May	7 July	4 September	3 October
Q <sub>s1</sub>	372	89	302	134	537	171
Q <sub>s2</sub>	588	139	415	147	414	192
Q <sub>s3</sub>	989	183	704	184	486	249
Q <sub>s4</sub>	1049	280	675	249	711	211
Q <sub>s5</sub>	1667	433	696	-	-	-
Q <sub>s9</sub>	534	142	285	108	275	89
Q <sub>s10</sub>	252	80	297	132	535	169
Q <sub>s20</sub>	461	130	410	145	413	190
Q <sub>s30</sub>	850	174	699	182	484	246
Q <sub>s40</sub>	1012	303	916	294	875	247
Q <sub>s50</sub>	1623	456	938	-	-	-
Q <sub>s90</sub>	409	110	38	61	129	50
Q <sub>L2</sub>	110	44	55	209	793	277
Q <sub>L3</sub>	153	25	67	25	219	82
Q <sub>L4</sub>	30	14	38	6	2	14
Q <sub>L5</sub>	42	25	7	-	-	-
Q <sub>L20</sub>	319	93	168	223	671	299

Q <sub>L30</sub>	542	69	356	61	290	138
Q <sub>L40</sub>	601	252	294	182	511	65
Q <sub>L50</sub>	653	178	29	-	-	-
R1	118.1	8.4	5.4	1.9	1.3	2.5
R2	7.1	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1
R3	9.0	0.7	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5
R4	18.8	1.0	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.6
R5	5.0	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1

Table 3

	28 February				26 May				31 May				7 July				4 September				3 October			
	CA	C <sub>ing</sub>	C <sub>or</sub>	Alk	CA	C <sub>ing</sub>	C <sub>org</sub>	Alk	CA	C <sub>ing</sub>	C <sub>org</sub>	Alk	CA	C <sub>ing</sub>	C <sub>org</sub>	Alk	CA	C <sub>ing</sub>	C <sub>org</sub>	Alk	CA	C <sub>ing</sub>	C <sub>org</sub>	Alk
	0		g		0				0				0				0				0			
M <sub>S1</sub>	110	132	64.	140	132	179	118.	201	150	207	79.	229	138	195	122.	223	149	206	78.	231	147	206	81.4	223
	3	9	9	6	7	5	4	7	0	2	1	1	1	9	9	1	1	1	3	3	8	4		8
M <sub>S2</sub>	128	163	78.	175	141	192	100.	216	151	209	68.	231	144	202	101.	229	154	213	92.	233	149	212	71.9	230
	6	9	1	7	7	3	5	1	2	5	2	0	4	4	4	7	4	3	3	4	8	7		7
M <sub>S3</sub>	140	185	63.	200	144	195	104.	220	152	210	71.	232	145	202	119.	23	151	209	87.	233	150	208	101.	231
	7	5	4	7	5	4	7	9	7	6	2	8	4	6	8	10	2	3	8	4	8	7	7	9
M <sub>S4</sub>	146	196	62.	214	146	201	83.2	226	152	210	74.	233	147	205	86.8	233	150	209	81.	234	149	209	73.9	232
	3	5	5	4	8	0		4	7	5	0	1	4	0		0	5	7	3	7	5	4		6
M <sub>S5</sub>	147	199	61.	220	147	203	74.6	228	152	209	71.	233	147	206	110.	233	150	211	73.	233	148	206	84.7	233
	1	8	5	1	5	6		8	0	0	4	5	7	2	6	3	9	1	3	6	1	0		0
M <sub>S9</sub>	140	184	61.	200	148	203	63.6	229	150	207	85.	232	148	206	101.	233	152	212	71.	233	148	206	96.8	231
	4	3	1	3	2	8		6	9	0	2	8	0	1	2	4	0	6	3	1	5	0		0
M <sub>S1</sub>	141	189	70.	203	145	203	94.3	222	155	213	74.	232	141	198	125.	226	149	208	75.	230	148	210	81.5	226
o	4	4	0	7	6	1		7	2	7	2	8	8	7	6	9	5	2	7	2	0	5		3
M <sub>S2</sub>	149	202	58.	220	150	211	70.1	231	152	214	53.	232	147	213	113.	235	151	215	63.	233	154	221	68.7	235
o	4	8	8	6	6	2		0	7	2	0	3	8	6	0	0	1	7	6	3	3	0		7

M <sub>S3</sub>	152	209	27.	229	151	212	78.5	232	153	215	53.	234	149	215	101.	235	150	215	59.	233	153	218	53.4	234
<sub>0</sub>	3	3	9	0	6	4		4	6	7	4	2	1	0	4	3	7	6	1	7	0	7		6
M <sub>S4</sub>	152	209	60.	230	151	212	70.6	232	153	214	59.	234	149	214	78.0	235	151	214	59.	232	152	218	51.6	234
<sub>0</sub>	2	9	8	8	7	4		7	7	8	0	0	6	6		1	3	1	9	8	3	5		9
M <sub>S5</sub>	152	210	60.	231	151	212	75.3	232	153	213	57.	234	152	215	104.	234	151	215	57.	233	153	217	61.9	234
<sub>0</sub>	0	0	2	1	6	3		9	2	7	2	0	2	1	9	8	3	6	7	1	5	2		8
M <sub>S9</sub>	152	207	48.	227	150	209	63.8	232	152	213	63.	233	147	211	105.	234	151	206	66.	233	152	216	78.0	233
<sub>0</sub>	2	9	1	9	8	1		3	9	3	7	5	2	6	1	8	5	4	4	6	4	5		8
M <sub>L2</sub>	122	153	74.	163	138	186	107.	210	150	208	72.	230	141	199	110.	227	148	217	89.	232	149	210	80.0	228
	0	0	5	4	3	1	3	6	7	6	6	5	9	7	1	1	1	0	9	6	9	1		0
M <sub>L</sub>	135	115	70.	189	143	194	101.	218	152	210	68.	232	144	202	109.	230	153	211	90.	233	150	210	90.8	229
<sub>3</sub>	4	9	2	5	4	3	0	8	0	2	7	1	9	6	8	3	9	4	2	2	4	9		8
M <sub>L</sub>	144	191	62.	208	146	199	87.6	225	152	209	76.	232	146	205	97.4	232	150	209	86.	233	149	208	83.5	232
<sub>4</sub>	1	8	6	5	4	8		3	3	8	3	9	9	3		9	9	9	1	6	7	7		0
M <sub>L</sub>	146	198	62.	217	147	202	79.0	227	152	210	71.	233	147	206	99.8	233	150	210	78.	233	149	207	79.2	232
<sub>5</sub>	3	0	1	1	2	5		7	4	0	9	4	5	3		5	7	7	6	7	1	8		8
M <sub>L</sub>	146	198	65.	215	149	209	78.4	228	152	214	62.	232	145	208	136.	232	150	214	66.	233	152	217	72.2	232
<sub>20</sub>	7	4	5	0	3	4		6	7	5	2	6	0	3	2	1	5	8	6	4	2	6		4
M <sub>L</sub>	151	206	57.	225	151	211	77.1	231	153	215	54.	233	148	214	111.	235	150	215	60.	233	1.54	220	60.1	235
<sub>30</sub>	1	6	8	5	1	7		7	4	0	1	2	2	1	4	2	6	5	7	5	0	1		3
M <sub>L</sub>	152	209	59.	230	151	212	71.5	232	153	215	58.	234	148	215	93.0	235	151	215	60.	233	152	218	54.3	234
<sub>40</sub>	4	7	3	1	6	4		6	7	0	3	0	9	1		2	2	5	2	7	8	4		6



M <sub>L</sub>	152	209	59.	230	151	212	72.7	232	153	213	59.	233	149	215	94.9	235	151	215	58.	233	153	217	57.8	234
<sub>50</sub>	0	2	9	8	6	4		8	3	9	2	9	6	4		0	3	3	7	7	2	6		7
M <sub>R</sub>	386	17	90	-50	331	13	130	-50	337	13	151	-50	323	12	241	-50	350	14	292	-50	336	13	210	-50
<sub>1</sub>																								
M <sub>R</sub>	386	17	88	-50	331	13	108	-50	337	13	111	-50	323	12	124	-50	350	14	117	-50	336	13	120	-50
<sub>2</sub>																								
M <sub>R</sub>	334	16	21	-50	-	7	171	-50	-	0	386	-50	-	3	292	-50	-	4	292	-50	-526	5	236	-50
<sub>3</sub>			3		310		8		116		0		789		5		782		5				7	
									0															
M <sub>R</sub>	16	0	17	-50	-	0	248	-50	-	0	254	-50	-	0	313	-50	-	0	287	-50	-130	0	298	-50
<sub>4</sub>			2		146				150				134				127							
M <sub>R</sub>	386	17	87	-50	331	13	106	-50	337	13	108	-50	323	12	121	-50	350	14	115	-50	336	13	118	-50
<sub>5</sub>																								

Table 4

	28 February				26 May				31 May				7 July				4 September				3 October			
	CA0	C <sub>ing</sub>	C <sub>org</sub>	Alk	CA	C <sub>ing</sub>	C <sub>org</sub>	Alk	CA0	C <sub>ing</sub>	C <sub>org</sub>	Alk	CA	C <sub>ing</sub>	C <sub>org</sub>	Alk	CA0	C <sub>ing</sub>	C <sub>org</sub>	Alk	CA	C <sub>ing</sub>	C <sub>org</sub>	Alk
					0								0								0			
F <sub>S</sub>	410.	494.	24.1	523.	118	159	10.	179.	453.	625.	23.	693.	185	262	16.	299	792.	110	42.	124	252	352	13.	382
<sub>1</sub>	3	4	4	0	.1	.8	54	5	0	7	89	7	.1	.5	47	.0	3	6.8	05	2.0	.7	.9	92	.7

F <sub>S</sub>	756.	963.	45.9	103	197	267	13.	300.	627.	869.	28.	958.	212	297	14.	337	639.	883.	38.	966.	287	408	14.	442
<sub>2</sub>	2	7	2	3.1	.0	.3	97	4	5	4	30	7	.3	.5	91	.6	2	1	21	4	.6	.3	96	.9
F <sub>S</sub>	139	183	62.7	198	264	357	19.	404.	107	148	50.	163	267	372	22.	425	734.	101	42.	113	375	519	25.	577
<sub>3</sub>	1.5	4.6	0	4.9	.4	.6	16	2	5.0	2.6	12	8.9	.5	.8	04	.0	8	7.2	67	4.3	.5	.7	32	.4
F <sub>S</sub>	153	206	65.5	224	411	562	23.	633.	103	142	49.	157	367	510	21.	580	107	149	62.	166	315	441	15.	490
<sub>4</sub>	4.7	1.3	6	9.1	.0	.8	30	9	0.7	0.9	95	3.4	.0	.5	61	.2	0.1	1.0	07	7.0	.4	.8	59	.8
F <sub>S</sub>	245	333	102.	366	638	881	32.	990.	105	145	49.	162												
<sub>5</sub>	2.2	0.7	52	9.1	.7	.6	30	7	7.9	4.6	69	5.2												
F <sub>S</sub>	749.	984.	36.1	106	210	289	9.0	326.	430.	590.	24.	663.	159	222	10.	252	418.	584.	19.	642.	132	183	8.6	205
<sub>9</sub>	7	2	5	9.6	.4	.4	3	0	1	0	28	5	.8	.6	93	.1	0	7	61	7	.2	.4	2	.6
F <sub>S</sub>	356.	477.	17.6	513.	116	162	7.5	178.	452.	634.	22.	691.	187	262	16.	299	791.	111	40.	123	250	355	13.	382
<sub>10</sub>	3	3	6	3	.5	.5	4	2	0	7	04	4	.2	.3	58	.5	3	3.9	50	1.6	.1	.7	77	.4
F <sub>S</sub>	688.	934.	27.1	101	195	274	9.1	300.	626.	878.	21.	952.	214	309	16.	340	624.	890.	26.	963.	293	419	13.	447
<sub>20</sub>	7	9	2	7.0	.8	.6	1	3	1	2	73	4	.3	.7	39	.8	0	8	27	5	.2	.9	05	.8
F <sub>S</sub>	129	177	49.2	194	263	369	13.	404.	107	150	37.	163	271	391	18.	428	729.	104	28.	113	376	538	13.	577
<sub>30</sub>	4.6	9.1	2	7.4	.8	.6	66	4	3.7	7.7	33	7.1	.4	.3	45	.2	4	3.5	60	0.9	.4	.0	14	.1
F <sub>S</sub>	154	212	61.5	233	459	643	21.	705.	140	196	54.	214	439	630	22.	691	132	187	52.	204	377	539	12.	580
<sub>40</sub>	0.3	4.4	3	5.7	.7	.6	39	1	7.9	7.6	04	3.4	.8	.9	93	.2	3.9	3.3	41	5.8	.7	.7	75	.2
F <sub>S</sub>	246	340	97.7	375	691	968	34.	106	143	200	53.	219												
<sub>50</sub>	7.0	8.3	1	0.8	.3	.1	34	2.0	7.0	4.5	65	4.9												
F <sub>S</sub>	622.	850.	19.6	932.	165	230	7.0	255.	58.1	81.1	2.4	88.7	89.	129	6.4	143	195.	266.	8.5	301.	75.	108	3.9	116
<sub>90</sub>	5	3	7	1	.9	.0	2	5			2		8	.1	1	.2	4	2	7	3	2	.3	0	.9

F <sub>L</sub>	134.	168.	8.20	179.	60.	81.	4.7	92.7	82.9	114.	3.9	126.	296	417	23.	474	116	164	71.	184	415	582	22.	631
<sub>2</sub>	2	3		7	9	9	2			7	9	8	.6	.4	01	.6	9.6	1.5	29	4.3	.2	.0	16	.6
F <sub>L</sub>	207.	269.	10.7	289.	35.	48.	2.5	54.7	101.	140.	4.6	155.	36.	50.	2.7	57.	337.	463.	19.	510.	123	172	7.4	188
<sub>3</sub>	2	1	4	9	9	6	3		8	8	0	5	2	7	5	6	0	0	75	7	.3	.9	5	.4
F <sub>L</sub>	43.2	57.5	1.88	62.6	20.	28.	1.2	31.5	57.9	79.7	2.9	88.5	8.8	12.	0.5	13.	3.0	4.2	0.1	4.7	21.	29.	1.1	32.
<sub>4</sub>					5	0	3				0			3	8	9			7		0	2	7	5
F <sub>L</sub>	61.4	83.2	2.61	91.2	36.	50.	1.9	56.9	10.7	14.7	0.5	16.3												
<sub>5</sub>					8	6	8				0													
F <sub>L</sub>	468.	632.	20.9	685.	138	194	7.2	212.	256.	360.	10.	390.	323	464	30.	517	100	144	44.	156	455	650	21.	694
<sub>20</sub>	0	9	0	9	.8	.7	9	6	6	4	45	8	.4	.5	37	.6	2.5	1.2	69	6.0	.1	.6	59	.9
F <sub>L</sub>	819.	111	31.3	122	104	146	5.3	159.	546.	765.	19.	830.	90.	130	6.8	143	436.	625.	17.	677.	212	303	8.2	324
<sub>30</sub>	0	9.8	3	2.2	.3	.9	2	9	1	4	26	2	4	.6	0	.5	7	0	60	2	.5	.7	9	.7
F <sub>L</sub>	915.	126	35.6	138	382	535	18.	586.	451.	632.	17.	688.	271	390	16.	427	772.	110	30.	119	99.	142	3.5	152
<sub>40</sub>	9	0.3	4	2.9	.0	.2	02	2	9	1	14	0	.0	.0	93	.9	6	1.2	76	4.2	3	.0	3	.5
F <sub>L</sub>	992.	136	38.8	150	269	378	12.	414.	44.5	62.0	1.7	67.8												
<sub>50</sub>	6	6.1	5	7.1	.8	.1	94	4			2													
F <sub>R</sub>	45.6	2.0	10.6	-5.5	2.8	0.1	1.0	-0.4	1.8	0.1	0.8	-0.3	0.6	0.0	0.4	-	0.5	0.0	0.3	-0.1	0.8	0.0	0.5	-
<sub>1</sub>	9		3								2				6	0.1			8			3	0.1	
F <sub>R</sub>	2.7	0.1	0.64	-0.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<sub>2</sub>							3				0				1				1			1		
F <sub>R</sub>	3.0	0.1	1	-0.4	-	0.0	1.2	0.0	-0.3	0.0	1.1	0.0	-	0.0	1.1	0.0	-0.3	0.0	1.1	0.0	-	0.0	1.1	0.0
<sub>3</sub>			.92		0.2		0				6		0.3		7				7		0.2		8	

F <sub>R</sub>	0.3	0.0	3.23	-0.9	-	0.0	0.2	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.	0.0	0.1	0.0
4					0.1		5				8		0.1		6			9		1			8		
F	1.9	0.1	0.44	-0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
R5							2				0				1			0					1		

Table 5

Box	Layer	28 February				26 May				31 May			
		CA0	C <sub>ing</sub>	C <sub>org</sub>	Alk	CA0	C <sub>ing</sub>	C <sub>org</sub>	Alk	CA0	C <sub>ing</sub>	C <sub>org</sub>	Alk
1	-	+8.4	+15.1	-4.2	+15.2	-1.2	-2.8	+1.9	+1.7	-0.8	-9.1	+1.0	+2.6
2	L2	+9.4	+4.6	+8.4	+4.2	+0.9	-5.3	+0.8	+1.4	+0.8	-2.0	-2.1	+1.0
	L20	+1.4	+7.0	+3.3	+2.5	-1.4	+0.7	+1.0	-2.2	-0.4	+2.2	+6.8	+3.0
3	L3	+20.5	+20.1	-5.7	+19.9	-1.0	-8.0	+1.2	-1.4	+3.2	-11.4	+6.0	+5.5
	L30	+5.9	+6.5	-1.5	+1.9	+0.4	+3.3	-1.8	+1.1	-3.3	-4.9	-0.9	-10.0
4	L4	+19.9	+8.1	+2.0	+14.4	-4.5	-12.6	-3.9	+1.1	-8.2	-24.1	+9.8	-1.5
	L40	+4.5	+7.2	+1.8	-0.1	-0.3	+3.2	+2.0	1.5	+1.7	+11.4	-4.9	+4.3
5	L.5	-15.6	-13.6	+0.3	+4.3	-5.4	-8.7	-2.0	-0.7	-6.6	-13.6	+1.5	+0.3
	L50	+4.5	-1.0	+0.1	+0.8	+1.4	+3.0	-2.0	+0.6	+4.7	+10.4	-1.6	0.0
Ria	upper	+43	+34	+8	+58	+12	-37	-2	+2	12	-60	+13	+8

	lower	+16	+20	+4	+5	0	+9	-1	-2	+3	+19	+3	-3
Ria	-	+59	+54	+12	+63	+12	-28	-3	0	-9	-41	+16	+5
		7 July				4 September				3 October			
Box	Layer	CA0	C <sub>ing</sub>	C <sub>org</sub>	Alk	CA0	C <sub>ing</sub>	C <sub>org</sub>	Alk	CA0	C <sub>ing</sub>	C <sub>org</sub>	Alk
1	-	-2.7	+0.2	-0.6	-0.4	+0.5	-7.1	+1.2	+10.5	+1.8	-2.8	-0.4	+0.4
2	L2	+0.4	-12.1	-8.9	-4.4	+6.4	-23.4	+22.7	+5.1	-5.0	-13.2	+1.6	-3.0
	L20	-0.3	-0.3	+7.6	+1.7	+7.8	+22.9	-12.4	-10.1	-3.2	+4.4	+0.2	-2.1
3	L3	+ 1.0	-4.6	+1.9	+1.5	-3.8	-27.9	+5.4	+1.4	-1.3	-19.4	+8.3	-1.8
	L30	-2.9	-1.7	+2.0	-1.5	-5.7	+9.5	-4.5	-0.9	+6.0	+12.7	+0.8	+7.9
4	L4	-2.9	-17.4	-6.0	-6.7	-16.3	-38.5	+8.3	-14.1	-6.2	-7.3	-3.7	-1.0
	L40	+4.0	+9.0	+5.5	+7.8	-20.3	+1.1	-1.8	-18.1	-0.8	+2.8	-1.2	0.0
5	L5												
	L50												
Ria	upper	-4	-34	-14	-10	-13	-97	+38	+3	-11	-43	+6	-5
	lower	+1	+7	+15	+8	-18	+34	-19	-29	+2	+20	+1	+5
Ria	-	-3	-27	+1	-2	-31	-63	+19	-26	-9	-23	+5	0

Table 6

	28 February							26 May							31 May						
Box	C	Cs	Cd	P	D	R	S	C	Cs	Cd	P	D	R	S	C	Cs	Cd	P	D	R	S
1	+5	+7	-	+3	-1	-	-1	0	+1	-	-4	-2	-	-2	+2	+1	-	-12	-11	-	-11
2	-8	+3	+2	+11	+19	+6	+27	0	+1	-1	-6	-5	+2	-3	+2	+1	+2	-4	-6	+1	+2
3	+7	+11	+1	+2	-4	+6	0	-2	-1	0	-6	-4	+3	-3	+6	+2	-5	-19	-13	0	-14
4	+11	+7	0	-10	-8	+7	+1	+2	0	0	-14	-18	+4	-12	-6	-2	+3	-17	-7	+9	-3
5	-16	+3	0	0	0	-1	-1	0	-1	0	-8	-10	+3	-9	-1	0	0	-12	-14	+10	-2
Ria	-1	+31	+3	+5	+6	+18	+26	0	0	-1	-38	-39	+12	-29	+3	0	0	-64	-51	+20	-28
	7 July							4 September							3 October						
Box	C	Cs	Cd	P	D	R	S	C	Cs	Cd	P	D	R	S	C	Cs	Cd	P	D	R	S
1	0	0	-	0	-1	-	-1	0	+5	-	-12	-11	-	-10	+1	0	-	-4	-4	-	-4
2	-3	-2	+1	-7	-15	-1	-9	+13	0	-4	-36	-14	+25	-3	-3	-2	-1	-9	-7	+5	-1
3	-2	+1	-1	-3	-2	-2	-1	+1	0	0	-28	-23	+9	-18	0	-1	+3	-19	-10	+9	-1
4	-3	-4	+4	-10	-16	+5	-6	-2	-9	-9	-28	-19	+11	-10	+2	0	0	-9	-12	+3	-11
Ria	-8	-5	+4	-20	-34	+2	-17	+12	-4	-13	-104	-67	+45	-41	0	-3	+2	-41	-33	+17	-17

Table 7

	28 February	26 May	31 May	7 July	4 September	3 October
Fe-Fs	-78	+27	+23	+24	+44	+16
CO <sub>2</sub>	-1	0	+3	-8	+12	0
Freshwater	+19	+3	+2	+2	+2	+2
Sediment	+26	-29	-28	-17	-41	-17
CaCO <sub>3</sub>	+34	-1	0	-1	-17	-1

Table 8

	28 February	26 May	31 May	7 July	4 September	3 October
B1	-2.3	-1.2	-3.8	-3.3	+1.1	+1.2
L2	+20.8	+0.7	-1.3	+4.9	-11.2	-1.0
L3	+10.7	+1.6	-4.4	+3.7	-4.4	-1.6
L4	+5.0	-7.1	-0.4	+1.7	-13.7	-8.8
L5	+5.8	-5.9	-4.7	no data	no data	no data
Ria	+40	-12	-15	+7	-28	-10

Table 9

	28 February	26 May	31 May	7 July	4 September	3 October
P2 + P3 – P4						
B1	+0.8	+0.2	+0.5	0.0	+0.2	+0.1
L2	-0.8	+0.1	+0.4	0.0	+4.4	0.0
L3	-3.0	0.0	+1.9	+0.1	+2.2	+0.3
L4	-0.1	+1.5	+2.0	+0.3	+3.5	+0.3
L5	-0.6	+1.0	+0.4	no data	no data	no data
Ria	-4	+3	+6	0	+10	+1
R3 + R2 – R4						
L20	-0.6	+0.1	0.0	0.0	-2.0	+0.2
L30	-0.2	+0.4	-0.2	+0.3	-1.1	+0.8

L40	+0.2	-0.1	-0.9	+0.1	+0.2	+0.1
L50	+0.3	0.0	-0.4	no data	no data	no data
Ria	0	0	-2	0	-3	+1

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